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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Confirmation No: 8786

TANAKA et al.

Art Unit: 1616

Application No.: 09/872,156

Examiner: Michael G. Hartley

Filed: June 4, 2001

Atty Docket No. 107380-00005

For: NEW IMAGE AGENTS PRECURSORS THEREOF AND METHODS OF MANUFACTURING

RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

June 3, 2003

Sir:

Further to the Office Action dated January 10, 2003, a Petition for a Two Month Extension of Time being attached hereto, it is submitted that the following remarks are a full and complete Response thereto.

REMARKS

Claims 1-39 are pending in the present application. Claims 2, 7, and 15-39 have been withdrawn from consideration by the Examiner and Claims 1, 3-6, and 8-14 have been rejected.

The Examiner has confirmed that Group I, Claims 1-14, was elected for